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Commissioner Joseph C. Rallo welcomes you to the  
**2017 Spring Forum**

February 1<sup>st</sup> | Holiday Inn Alexandria ~ Downtown | 9:30 AM registration

## **AGENDA**

### **Game Changers: *Think 30 Louisiana!***

**10:00-10:15 AM**

**GREETINGS, HOUSEKEEPING & AUDIENCE CHECK-IN**

Dr. Claire Norris ~ Assistant Commissioner, *Board of Regents* - **Facilitating**

- Mr. Richard Lipsey ~ Chairman, *Louisiana Board of Regents*
- Rep. Nancy Landry ~ Education Chair, *Louisiana House of Representatives*

~ **AUDIENCE CHECK-IN** ~

*Note: Participants will need their laptops, iPads, and other electronic devices to fully participate.*

**10:15-10:40 AM**

**WELCOME AND OVERVIEW**

Dr. Joseph C. Rallo ~ Commissioner of Higher Education  
*Elevate Louisiana*

**10:45-11:50 AM**

**SYSTEMIC REFORMS, SIGNIFICANT RESULTS, & MORE GRADS: GAME CHANGERS**

Dr. Dhanfu Elston ~ Vice President for Alliance State Relations  
Mr. Blake Johnson ~ Director of Communications  
*Complete College America*

*This session is designed to provide tools that enhance the student services function. Participants will be empowered with game-changing strategies that improve student learning and promote timely completion, including the importance of data collection and accuracy, one-stop shop creation/enhancement, structured scheduling, meta majors, etc.*

**11:50-12:30 AM**

**THE NUTS & BOLTS: BUILDING THE *THINK 30 LOUISIANA!* INFRASTRUCTURE**

Dr. Nia Haydel ~ Director, Academic Center for Excellence, *Dillard University (CCA)*

*This interactive session is designed to share how one institution has implemented the Think 30 Louisiana! strategies and experienced success in helping students navigate these unfamiliar areas.*

**12:30-1:25 PM**

**CHAT & CHEW: LUNCH/TEAM PLANNING ~ TOPIC: *Think 30 Louisiana!* Tool Kit**

**1:25-1:45 PM**

**COLLEAGUES IN ACTION: INSTITUTIONAL POLICIES & PRACTICE THAT SUPPORT *THINK 30 LOUISIANA!***

Ms. Rajni Ekta Soharu ~ Interim Registrar, *University of New Orleans*

*In this session, UNO will highlight their three-pronged approach to institutional policies and practices that support Think 30 Louisiana!, sharing their challenges, victories and work in progress.*

**1:45-2:55 PM**

**WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND: ACT 619 RECOMMENDATIONS & IMPLICATIONS**

Dr. Larry Tremblay ~ Deputy Commissioner, *Board of Regents* - **Facilitating**

*This session has been set aside to give participants an opportunity to ask questions, provide feedback and offer suggestions to the draft response to ACT 619 by Sen. Hewitt, specifically, responding to the recommendations that impact the student services function.*

**2:55-3:00 PM**

**CLOSING & NEXT STEPS**

Dr. Joseph C. Rallo ~ Commissioner of Higher Education



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